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FM AMEMBASSY COTONOU
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7394
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PASS ALSO TO AF/W FOR AMB ENGLE AND AFR/CWR

EO 11652: NA

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SUBJ: COTONOU BRIDGE BIDS

REF A. COTONOU 971 B. STATE 116612

1. PER REF A AUG 6, DUE DATE ON COTONOU BRIDGE BIDS APPROACHING WITH NO CERTAINTY THAT ANY RESPONSIVE BID WILL BE RECEIVED. MISSION CONVINCED THAT DAHOMEAN GOVT WILL VIEW BREAKDOWN OF BRIDGE PROJECT AS A REPRISAL BY THE USG FOR OFFICIAL ADOPTION OF MARXIST-LENINIST AS STATE PHILOSOPHY TWO MONTHS AFTER BRIDGE LOAN AGREEMENT SIGNED. US-DAHOMEAN RELATIONS WOULD SUFFER AS A RESULT.

2. ACCORDINGLY, MISSION ANXIOUS TO GET A READING ON INTENTION OF PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS. GROVE AND RAYMOND SEEM OUT OF THE PICTURE PER REFS UNLESS ONE OR BOTH ARE ENGAGING IN SUBTERFUGE TO CONFUSE THEIR FELLOW BIDDERS. MK IS MORE PROMISING, BUT REMAINS NON-COMMITTAL.

3. SUGGEST AMB ENGLE TEL HIGHEST LEVEL MK HEAD OFFICE TO MAKE DISCREET INQUIRY AS TO MK'S INTENTIONS ON THE COTONOU BRIDGE. AMB MAY ALSO WISH TO CONFIRM RAYMOND'S DECISION NOT TO BID.

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PLEASE COMMUNICATE THE RESULTS OF THESE INQUIRIES TO US ASAP

SO THAT MISSION CAN PREPARE AN ASSESSMENT OF COURSES OF
ACTION OPEN TO US.
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